[Mr. K. Parameswaran Pillai.]

(*h*) A second Marketing Officer has been appointed with effect from the 24th Makaram 1111.

Unauthorised occupation of lands in the Karimannoor Pakuthi.

243. ***Mr. J. John Kattakayam**: Will the Government be pleased to state the extent of disafforested land, and Government waste, *poramboke* and swampy areas in the Karimannoor pakuthi, unauthorisedly occupied, enjoyed and inhabited by people ?

Mr. K. George :

		Acres.	*Cents.*
Disafforested land unauthorisedly occupied and enjoyed by people		75	0
Do.	Waste land ...	155	0
Do.	*Poramboke* land ...	5	0
Do.	Swampy area ...	66	69

Use of guns without licence.

244. ***M. J. John Kattakayam**: Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether a large number of persons are even now using guns without licences, though it has been provided that guns shall have licences ;

(*b*) whether such guns are even now being used largely in taluks like Muvattupuzha and Todupuzha ; and

(*c*) whether for catching wild animals and such other purposes guns are being kept cocked in mountainous parts and whether, in consequence, it causes accidents even to human beings at times ?

Rao Sahib Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: (*a*) No.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) The practice is reported to exist in certain mountainous parts of the Trivandrum and Kottayam Districts. There was one accident in the Kottayam District during 1109 and another in the Trivandrum District during 1111.

Use of country-made cartridges for fishing.

245. ***Mr. J. John Kattakayam**: Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether fishing is done by the use of cartridges got down illegally from foreign lands ;

(*b*) whether people without much influence and wealth fish with cartridges locally manufactured ;

(*c*) whether accidents are frequently taking place on account of the use of country-made cartridges ; and

(*d*) whether they will lay on the table a statement showing the number of persons who, on account of the use of such cartridges, got injured and who died by accident during the last six years ?

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